THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY **FACULTY OF ARTS** DEPARTMENT of ANTHROPOLOGY

ANTH 391.01 ANTHROPOLOGICAL THEORY

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course, which is a pre-requisite for most senior level courses in social-cultural anthropology, aims to give the student a solid foundation in anthropological theory. We will be considering in detail the key debates within anthropology and examining how these have been addressed by anthropologists and other social scientists. We will look at the social and historical contexts in which different theoretical perspectives emerged, how they relate to each other, and the implications these perspectives have for research and ethnographic writing.

PREREQUISITE(S): Anth 203 or consent of the Department. Note: Credit for both Anth 391 and Anth 365 will not be allowed.

COURSE FORMAT:

The course will include lectures, discussion of assigned readings, films, and guest speakers, all of which are relevant in the in-class quizzes.

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Bernard, Alan

2000 History and Theory in Anthropology. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Rapport, Nigel and Joanna Overing

2007 Social and Cultural Anthropology: The Key Concepts, 2nd edition. Oxford: Routledge.

Additional readings (e.g. journal articles or book chapters) may be required and will be posted on the class Blackboard in PDF. A detailed reading list with dates will be available by 2nd week of class.

EVALUATIONS

Your final grade will be based upon your marks on four in-class quizzes(4 x 15% = 60%) and one term paper (40%). There is no registrar-scheduled final exam. All in-class quizzes are openbook exams. The exam question will reflect material covered in the assigned readings, textbooks, lectures, audio-visual material shown in class and class discussions. Answers must be in essay format. Lecture outlines will be posted on Blackboard when possible. The term paper (40%) is due on 9th December 2013. Please note that a 10% penalty is in effect for everyday the term paper is overdue. After 5 days overdue, the assignment will automatically receive an F grade.

Quiz #1	15%	26-Sept-2013
Quiz #2	15%	17-Oct-2013
Quiz #3	15%	07-Nov-2013
Quiz #4	15%	28-Nov-2013
Term paper	40%	09-Dec-2013

Grading scheme:

A+	100-94.9%	В	79.8-74.9%	C-	62.8-58.9%
A	94.8-89.9%	B-	74.8-70.9%	D+	58.8-54.9%
A-	89.8-84.9%	C +	70.8-66.9%	D	54.8-49.9%
B+	84.8-79.9%	C	66.8-62.9%	\mathbf{F}	49.8% and less

Quiz re-writes will not be offered except for documented medical and other emergencies. Vacation plans, heavy workload, etc. will not be considered. Course appeals (grades, missed exams) have to be made in writing. While the instructor will attempt to respond to emails in a timely fashion, that is, within two working days, volume may mean that delays will extend beyond this period. In other words, don't send an email about the test an hour before and expect a response. It should also be noted that weekend is off limit to email communications.

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who requires academic accommodation and has not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

In the event that the classroom should need to be evacuated due to an emergency please note that the primary assembly point shall be the Professional Faculties Food Court and the secondary assembly point shall be the Education Block Food Court.

PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING

Plagiarism: "to steal and pass off the ideas or words of another as one's own" (Webster's). Plagiarism will not be tolerated and will automatically result in a failing grade for the submission. Any student caught plagiarizing July also be subject to additional University sanctions. Students are expected to be familiar with the Anthropology Departments policy on intellectual honesty available at:

https://www.anth.ucalgary.ca/home/links/intellectual-honesty-guidelines